

*Your input will help shape parking solutions for a vibrant, livable Center City now and in the future.*

*SDOT recognizes the critical role parking plays in our economy and is actively working with stakeholders on better ways to provide short-term visitor and customer parking.*

## A Growing Center City

*The following facts relate to Center City Seattle, a combination of the 10 neighborhoods shown on the map.*

- Center City has around 100,000 non-residential off- and on-street parking spaces.
- Center City businesses currently provide 244,000 of the jobs.
- Within 10 years the Center City can expect an additional 50,000 new jobs.
- If the current drive-alone pattern continues, accommodating job growth would require 20 city blocks of parking lots, 10 stories high, costing up to \$750 million.
- The city, Downtown Seattle Association and King County Metro have set a goal of shifting of 4,000 drive-alone commuters to transit, bicycle, and walking commuters each year for nine years.

## Meeting the Kyoto Challenge

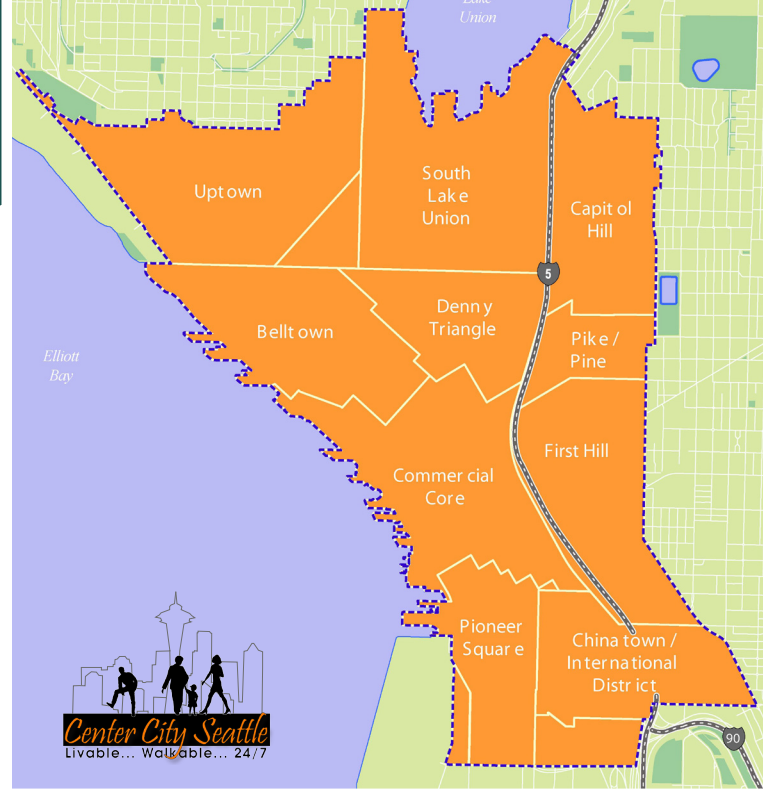
- To meet the Kyoto Protocol by 2012, Seattle needs to reduce greenhouse emissions by 680,000 tons.
- This is the equivalent of 148,000 cars taking off the road.

## Replacing the Alaskan Way Viaduct and Seawall

- Now is the time to prepare and meet the parking challenge.
- Major construction to replace the viaduct begins in 2010.
- No matter what is built, up to 3,700 public parking spaces will be removed during construction.
- SDOT is kicking off a parking study this month to help identify innovative parking solutions.
- SDOT is also forming a Parking Advisory Committee comprised of industry experts and other interests relying on parking for input.
- By first quarter 2007 a toolbox of possible strategies will be available for consideration.

### Comments or questions on the parking study?

Contact Mary Catherine Snyder, Project Manager,  
206-684-8110 or email [MaryCatherine.Snyder@Seattle.gov](mailto:MaryCatherine.Snyder@Seattle.gov)



## Center City Parking Fast Facts

*August 2006*

